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PHANTOM SCHEME, RAYNER DECLARES

Senator Derides Idea of **Government Ownership** of Railroads.

PROPER POLICY OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Would Eliminate Stereotyped Features of Platform and Give Country Something New in the Way of Democratic Decalogue-Powers of Executive.

societies and clubs in all parts of Greater New York to-night celebrated Jefferson Day." The Democratic Club held its annual banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria: the Women's Democratic Club of the city met at the Hoffman House; the Independence League had as its guests William Randolph Hearst

a guestă William Randolph Hearst Attorney-General Jackson.

to principiil speaker at the Demole Club's banquet was Senator Rayof Maryland, He responded to the
t, "What Should Be the Proper
cy of the Democratic Party, and
t is True Democracy?". Former
reme Court Justice Morgan J. presided. Senator Rayner said

do not accede to the view that parties have coalesced. On the trary, I believe that they are as ely apart as they have ever been. President will not have a permattenure of office. One prediction be safely made, and that is when Republican party has another cantle, and it is bound to have one cidate, and it is bound to have one at some day or another, it will graduglly drift away from a great many of his plans and purposes, and it will resume business at its old stand. Then it will be necessary for us to come back to our old principles, unless, in the meantime, we have so disfigured them that we will not be able to recognize them or to find them.

Vision and Phantom. are charged with advocating ine of States' rights that would nuility the powers of the Fed-vernment. This is an arronequa-just view of the situation.

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the next place, we are opposed to mental paternalism. I predict, with respect to others who may differen, that the day will never come he government of the United States in and operate the railroads of the

n enough now. We had better sell me things we have then enlarge our lidings. I have studied the question governmental ownership of railids in other countries carefully; and conclusion is that it is a failure

practical or feasible; nor do I believe that the Democratic platform will con-tain any provision holding out the hope of such an undertaking.

Warning to Railroads.

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"There is one proposition, however,
that the Democratic party must contend for in this connection; and that
is, it must demand a complete obedience to the existing statute. The railroad presidents and officers of our
trunk lines must be made, once and
forever, to realize that they are the
servants and not the masters of the
meconle.

"Governmental ownership will never come to pass unless they force the is-sue. They are the real agitators, and I would kindly warn them to further desist from pursuing the tricks and mysteries that have now been laid

desist from pursuing the tricks and mysteries that have now been laid bare before the gaze of the American people.

"There is another proposition that the Democratic party must maintain, unless it has drifted away entirely from its anchorage, and that is that this is not an executive government, that the governmental distribution of powers provided for in the Constitution must be preserved, and that the President of the United States, to whatever party he may belong, must not exceed the functions of his office and eneroush upon the remaining departments of the government.

"I have said over and over again that I recognize the great and wonderful resources of the President, his commanding ability, his intense and ardent patriotism, the marvelous success of his undertakings, and his phenomenal popularity with the people; but the feat that possesses me is that some feeble successor in either party, who may have less ability and patriotism than he has, may ignore these fundamental distinctions and attempt to divert our institutions from the plans and purposes of their creation."

Democratice Platform,

Democratice Platform,
Senator Rayner then outlined his views on a Democratic platform.
"I would make it brief and pertinent," he said, "I would silminate the customary and monotonous indictments against the opposition for crimes that they have never committed; and I would omit all reference to the

LIGHTNING TAKES LADY'S SHOES AND STOCKINGS OFF

But Pretty Schoolteacher and Her Escort Were Unhurt-Remarkable Escape.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
DANVILLE, VA., April 13.—Robert L. Taylor, a farmer of Swansonville, and Miss Eva Roteler, a schoolteacher at the public school at Hinesville, this county, had narrow escape from death yesterday afternoon by a bolt of light-

yesterday afternoon by a bolt of lightning, which struck the buggy in which
they were riding and killed the horse.
Miss Roteler, whose home is in Fauquier county, was being driven to the
home of Mr. Taylor yesterday afternoon at about 5 o'clek, when the pair
get caught in the terrific rain and
electrical storm which passed over this
section. Lightning struck the horse,
killing the animal instantly and damaging the buggy. Mr. Taylor was rendered unconscious for a few minutes,
but was not seriously hurt. The most
peculiar freak of the lightning was in
the case of the young lady. The bolt che case of the young lady. The boit removed the shoes and the stockings from the feet of Miss Roteler. One of the shoes, which was split open, was thrown a considerable distance. Strange to say, however, she escaped injury.

FROST AND SNOW IN MANY STATES

Fruit and Vegetables Damaged in Tennessee, Ohio and Other States

NASHVILLE, TENN., April 13.-Snow has been falling here for several hours. The thermometer registers at the freezing point. Advices from Southern Kentucky and Northern Alabama Indicate that early fruit has been killed by the snow and cold.

ST. LOUIS, MO., April 13.—The uncomfortably cold weather of the past week became wintry last night, and it is feared that fruit buds and early vegetables have been considerably damaged. A continuation of the cold weather is predicted.

WICHITA, KAN., April 13.—Small and large fruit and gardens in Kansas were injured last night by frost. It is believed the loss will be heavy.

OMAHA, NEB., April 12 Reports from the southern part of the State indicate the practical destruction of peach, plum and pear crops by frost.

ST. JOSEPH. MO. April 13.—The mercury was sloth degrees below freezing throughout Northwest Missouri last night, and growers say fruit of all varieties has been badly injured.

SOUTH BEND, IND. April 13 has been failing in Northern for the past thirty-six hours.

SWEPT OUT TO SEA; PROBABLY DROWNED

Young Men of Wilmington Believed to Have Met Tragic Death.

WILMINGTON, N. C., April 13 .- W. C. Lynley, of Powder Springs, Ga., and Lloyd Andrews, of Seven Springs, N. C. friends they were at the sound for an oyster roast, and rowed out in the sound yesterday morning to gun for marsh hens. They were sen to approach the inlet by their companions on shore, and are believed to have been caught in the strong current and carried out where their boat was capsized by the breakers. The body of neither has been found, though most diligent search has been made.

RAFT LOG TEARS OFF YOUNG LUMBERMAN'S EAR

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SPENCER, N. C., April 13.—Oscar
Nesbitt, a lumberman of Woodleaf, Rowan county, was severely injured yesterday at his home while loading sawloga
A log, being placed on a wagon, slipped
and rolled over the young man with terrific force badly bruising his body and
tearing off one car. His condition is
serious, and he was carried to his home
for treatment.

MORE SOUTHERN MEN AT JEFFERSON DINNER

NEW YORK, April 13 .- It was an nounced to-day that the list of speak ers at the Jefferson dinner of the Brooklyn Democratic Club next Tues day night has been increased at the request of William J. Bryan, so as to lina: Governor McMillan, of Tennes Governor Warfield, of Maryland, and former Governor Jelks, of Alabama.

Richmond Couple Wed.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] BALTIMORE, MD., April 13.— License was issued here to-day for the marriage of Mrs. Laura Brinkley thirty-two years old, a widow, and william H. Mills, twenty-eight years old, of No. 281 Venable Street, Richmond. Mrs. Brinkley is also of Richmond. The license was procured by Mr. Mills, and the couple left the courthouse in search of a minister.

v Killed by Negro.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, April 13.—A message from Kirbyville, Texas, reports that to-day Mrs. T. T. Tissue, wife of a well-known farmer, was criminally assaulted and killed by a negro. Posses are scarching for the page. (Continued on Second Page.) ing for the negro.

BRYAN PRAISES MONTICELLO SAGE

After Pilgrimage to Jefferson Home Commoner Addresses Students.

NOT ADMIRER OF HAMILTON'S THEORY

Nebraskan Contrasts Opposing Systems of Government, Much to the Advantage of That

Advocated by Mr. Jefferson - Founder's Day.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., April 13.—
William J. Bryan reached Charlottosville
at 2:20 this afternoon, and is the guest
of Dr. Charles W. Kent, at the University.
He was accompanied by his daughter,
Miss Grace, who is a student at Hollins
Institute. Mr. Bryan visited Monticelle
during the afternoon, accompanied by
Judge R. T. W. Duke and Dr. Kent,
while Miss Bryan attended the Virginia
baseball game on Lambeth Field, and witnessed the sweeping victory of Virginia
bessed the sweeping victory of Virginia baseball game on Lambeth Field, and wit-nessed the sweeping victory of Virginia over Georgetown. This evening Mr. Bryan spoke to as many people as could be com-fortably seated in Cabell Hall, the large auditorium at the University. His theme-was "Thomas Jefferson," which he dis-cussed for nearly two hours, emphasizing his doctrines in their contrast with those of Hamilton. He defined nitrogray as controlled by IL.

Jefferson was a rich man in his day, and yet his views upon public questions were never colored by the money in his pocket. It never disturbed his sympathy with the common people. Jefferson he regarded as the best educated man of his time, and he desired and sought to have the benefits of education universally conferred.

Land of the Average Man.

In a word, he trusted the people, and realized that this country is the land of the average man. In comparison with the Hamiltonian doctrine, Jeffreson's theories of government have grown immensely, and have to-cay taken possession, not only of this country, but their leaven is working all over the earth. He gave ad interesting view of the Russian struggle for liberty, as he saw it on his trip around the world, in which the Jeffersonian belief that the people should rule themselves was the dominant influence. By contrast, he pictured the Hamiltonian plan, which would separate the government as far as possible from the people.

Under it he would have a President for life, Senators with life tenure, and Governors with a like limit to their term of office. He said the way a theory which

would not be acceptable in this day, es-pecially if the officer were a young man He said that the President was but a ident Roosevelt, because Grover cland still lives.

Cleveland still lives.

He liked quite as little the Hamiltonian division of the people into the well-born and those not so well born, because he didn't know on which side of the line he would be placed. As his forefathers were natives of Virginia, he would probably be among the well born, but infinitely better

been so much larger than he had had any right to expect or than he could ever deserve. The only way in which he could make an effort at repayment he could make an effort at repayment was by doing all in his power to in spire the young men of the country to put at the service of the State all their buoyant energies. Mr. Bryan's treatment by the audience was exceedingly cordial, both upon his entrance and at the conclusion of his address, closing the exercises with the college yell, with Bryan's name at the end. He left at midnight for Washington, after a banquet at the Colonial Hotel, after a banquet at the Colonial Hotel, tendered by the Delta Chi Fraternity

FOUNDER'S DAY AT UNIVERSITY

Procession of Faculty, Alumni, and Students Imposing-Knapp Principal Speaker.

Principal Speaker.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., April 12.
—Founders' Day was fittingly observed at the University of Virginia to-day, All lectures were suspended, and the procession of the students, faculties, alumni and guests was an imposing cue. The chief address was delivered by Martin A. Knapp, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission, who undertook to establish the thosis that competition in Industrial matters has failed, and that it is the part of wisdom to take advantage of all that co-operation in trade has to offer. In his annual public statement of the condition of the University. President Alderman of the University. President Alderman stated that only \$36,000 was lacking to complete the endowment of \$1,000.

MILLER HURLED TO DEATH: CLOTHES CATCH IN SHAFT

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
WINCHESTER, VA., April 13.—While
William A. Estep, a miller living near
Mt. Jackson, was at work in his mill
Tucsday, his clothing was caught in a
rapidly-revolving shaft and his body
whirled about with great velocity, killing him almost instantly. Estep was
forty-six years of age, and is survived
by wife and four children.

GOLDEN GATE SHUT SAY WHITES GIVE STANDARD GUILTY TO JAP LABORERS WAY TO NEGROES

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Tap on Engine When Threads

Broke.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

CHARLOTTE, N. C., April 13.—Albert P. Lentz, a citizen of Mt. Holly, promi-

STEAM SCALDS

AMERICAN DELEGATION TO THE HAGUE NAMED

Commissioner Mellheny Thinks More Wiffles Should Try Examinations

PENDING IN WASHINGTON THE WAY IS OPEN FOR ALL THE FINES MAY BE HEAVY

This Is First Time the Applica- He Has Been Through South on tion of the New Law Has Been Tested.

Nearly Three Hundred Who Ar-

tived of Korea Cannot

SAN, FRANCISCO, CAL., April 13 .-I'wo hundred and ninety-five Japanese ed on the steamer pending advices from steamer to British Columbia. Their pass Commissioner North is doubtful as to passing them on to their port of destina-tion. The Korea is the first steamer to land Japanese since the new law was passed and Commissioner North and Com-

Will Send Eleven Back.

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SEATTLE, WASH., April 13.—Eleven
Japanese now at the detention station at
Port Townsend, will be sent back to their
own country to-day on the steamer Tremont. The Japanese are accussed of being
contract laborers. They were arrested
in Tacoma after lapding from the Trement. They admitted they were hired in
Japan to work on a Montana farm. An
appeal of the case was taken to Washington and the secretary of commerce
and labor ordered the deportation.

GAS TURNED ON: AN EMPTY BOTTLE

Man Had Lost Money and He and His Wife Ended Their Lives.

NEW YORK, April 13.—The dead bodies of John Perrault and his wife were found to-day in their apartment at Madison Avenue and One Hundred and Sixteenth Street. Gas was pouring and Sixteenth street. Gas was pouring from an open fixture. Beside the bed on which the bodies lay was an empty chloroform bottle. A handkerchief which had been saturated with wife lay beside him. The police expressed the belief that the case was pressed the belief that the case was MR. JONES TO ATTEND

pressed the belief that the case was one of suicide.

Perrault and his wife came to this country several years ago with a fortune of \$100.000. With his son, Marcello, as an assistant, he conducted a saloon and restaurant under the apartment where he lived. The young man explained to the police that his father had been in business in Cuba, and that much of his fortune had been lost in various ventures.

SEVEN DEAD AND MANY GILMORE CITY, IA April 18.—Seven dead, 200 stricken with measles and the schools closed for weeks, is the situation that has developed here in the last few days. All the deaths occurred within the last ten days.

NEW YORK, April 13.—The national publicity bill organization, of which Perry Belmont is president will hold a meeting here next Tuesday. The meeting will be addressed by William J. Bryan, Samuel Gompers, John W. Tomilnson, of Alabama, and others.

Governor Warlield, of Maryland; Congressman Oilie James, of Kontucky; Congressman Jones, of Virginia, and John Wanamaker are among those expected. Mrs. Besant President KANSAS CITY, MO., April 13.—An official announcement was received to-day of the nomination of Mrs. Arabe Besant as world president of the Thiosophical Society, to succeed the late Colonel Heart Steele Clott, the president-founder of the organization.

Six Weeks' Trial Under Elkins Law Results in Prompt Verdict of Guilty.

Company Liable to Maximum Penalty-Take an What He Terms an Educational Tour. Appeal'

CHICAGO, ILLS., April 13 .- The Standard Oil Company of Indiane, which has been on trial for six weaks before Judge Landis, of the United States District Court, to-night was character of the commission. He found found guilty on 1,463 counts of receivton Railroad on shipments of oil from Whiting, Ind., to East St. Louis. There dictment, 440 counts falling on techni-

company is liable to a maximum fine of \$29,206,000, as the Elkins law, which

cure public position under government "e-gardless of the law, and found oppor-tunity to correct this view. "We are not seeking to discredit the negro," he said in discussing the matter, "but rather to set the whites right. We want to correct erroneous opinions and to administer the law impartially to all, white and black, Democrats and Republicans." when the case came to trial the attorneys for the defense endeavored to have all the counts in the Indictment thrown out on technicalities, but the court ordered that each count by telegraph and analyzately. taken up and considered separately which was done. The 440 counts in which was done. The 440 counts in which errors were found wore dropped. The defense then put all its efforts toward proving that they were unaware of the fact that the six-cent rate had not been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission, as provided by the Elkins law. Evidence was offered by the government showing that it was the duty of the company's officers to see whether the rate was in the hands of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The jury was out less than three hours, and reached the verdict on the first ballet. PROMINENT MAN Albert Lentz Was Tightening

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Lumber Plant at Charlotte Burns. Hose-Wagon Wrecked.

P. Lentz, a citizen of Mt. Holly, prominent and weathly, was fatally scaled this morning while superintending the operation of some machinery on his plantation. Mr. Lentz was endeavoring to tighten the taps on the steampipe of a 85-horse power engine when the thread broke and the steam and hot water of the belier was discharged upon him, enveloping him from head to foot and scalding his fearfully. He can hardly survive the night. He has a wife, two daughters and a son. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] OHARLOTTE, N. C., April 13.—Fire of unknown origin to-night destroyed the lumber and wood-working plant of Asbury & Finger, at the intersection of Fifth Street and the Seaboard Air of Fifth Street and the Scaboard Air Line Ralivad, and spread to a two-story residence adjoining, leveling that to the ground. The stock of lumber and costly machinery are a total loss, there being no insurance on the night, the loss is estimated at \$20,000. A hose wagon en route to the fire was wrecked at Trade and College Streets by the breaking of an axle, and several firemen had narrow escapes from serious injury. MR. JONES TO ATTEND PUBLICITY BILL MEETING

COMMODORE PEARY TO

PORTLAND, ME, April 13.—Commander Robert E. Peary, who has definitely decided to make another attempt to reach the North Pole. to-day stated that he would sail from New York as near July 1st next as possible. Funds, he said, had been raised for repairing his ship, the Roosevelt, and a fund of \$100,000 necessary to early the expedition would be available before July 1st.

DELMAS WILL ASK BAIL FOR THAW

Six Sections

After a Brief Conference This Course Is Decided Upon.

PRISONER DEPRESSED WIFE BREAKS DOWN

Bursts Into Sobbing When Taking Leave of Her Husband in Tombs for the Day - Her Brother Admits Lying and Asks Thaw for Money.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Setting a tentions, J. Russell Peabody, associated with Delphin M. Delmas, chief counsel for Harry K. Thaw, said to-day, after a forty-five-minutes conference with the prisoner, that an application for Thaw's release on ball would be made. He declined to go into details regardance this action. There were varieties He declined to go into details regarding this action. There were various rumors during the day that habeas corpus proceedings might be brought, and it was reported that the Thaw family stands ready to furnish ball in almost any amount to secure the young man's release.

District Attorney Jerome announced that he would make a strong fight against the granting of ball to the prisoner and added to this statement that he intended to presseute him for

ter assertion was in the nature of a reply coming to a suggestion that he had compromised with the defendant's counsel on a plea of sanity and would agree to send Thaw to Matteawan. The next development of the day came when Mr. Peabody loft Thaw after a late visit, and said in reply to questions as to the stories that Thaw had

"He ls very much distressed and feels badly about it," Mr. Peabody replied.

Asked as to the program for next week, he said: "We have no fixed program. On Monday we shall get together and decide what is best to be done."

Mrs. Thaw Breaks Down.
Mr. Delmas held a long conference with Thaw to-day, and Mrs. Thaw saw

her nusband during the visiting hours.
Altogether Harry Thaw spent a quiet day in the Tombs. The influx of mait at all deliveries, which has kept him busy since he first went to a cell, was diminished somewhat to-day. Instead of the 100 letters which he received every morning up to the day of the verdict, only twenty-nine came in this forenoon and the other deliveries had also fallen off.

also fallen off.
Mrs. Harry K. Thaw was somewhat wan and worn when she appeared at the Tombs to-day and broke down completely while she was taking leave of her husband. They were standing

Howard Nesbit's Letter.

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•A letter written by Howard Nesbit, brother of Mrs. Evelyn Thew, to Harry Thaw, was made public to-day, it is said, by some of Thaw's coupsel. In it the young man wrote that when White was shot he thought it would be heroic to stand by "the man whose memory to me was so precious." When District Attorney Jerome took his statement Howard Nesbit wrote: Nesblt wrote:

ney Jerome took his statement Howard Nesbit wrote:

"I told him what Florence told me—
or, at least, was supposed to have told me. I will put it more strongly, and say she never told me anything against you that would tend to hurt you in any way. I lied, thinking it would help the man I thought was so good."

As to his subsequent attitude toward his sister and Thaw he wrote: "After Florence told her story on the stand, believe me, I was with her from that time on—heart and soul. I never intended to say one word against her if put on the stand; I would have forgotten everything I knew; I would have perjured myself out and out, if you wish to call it perjury.

Young Man Wants Money.

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He declared that he wrote to Evelyn that he was serry and asked her for \$100 to pay debts he had contracted in New York, but he added, "she seems to be somewhat bitter at me yet, and will not see me. She answered that she did not have the money." Perhaps he was wrong in coming to New York, but his parents were responsible for that, he wrote adding that he is new true to Thaw's cause. He then appeals to Thaw for the money which Evelyn did not send to him and declares that he would rather kill himself than go to "certain persons in this city for heln" that he will not write home for money, and at times has fet "like ending it all."

Juror's Story Unique.

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